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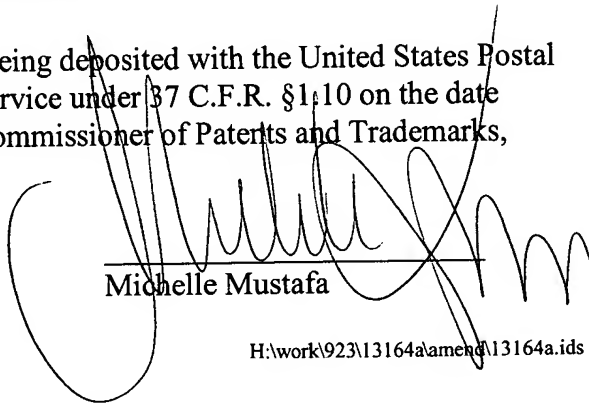
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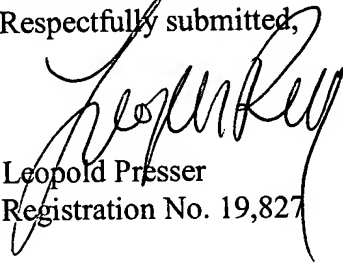
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), copies of the above-listed references are not provided, as these references were previously submitted to the Examiner in connection with the parent case, Serial Number 09/436,164, filed on November 9, 1999. Reference numbers 28-36 were cited by the Examiner in an Office Action dated October 25, 2001, therefore copies are not provided.

Consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement is respectfully requested. since the art provided may be material to the examination of the present application as filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in accordance with the schedule set out in 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), no petition, statement or fee is required.

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